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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte SCOTT A. MOSKOWITZ and MARC COOPERMAN

Application No. 08/999,766

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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was returned to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) from a BPAI Undocketed Return on July 27, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is still not in condition for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

On July 20, 2006, the application was returned to the examiner via an Order Returning Undocked Appeal. In response to the order requesting missing reference pages, the examiner had the missing pages scanned into the Image File Wrapper (IFW) of the application. A review of the missing pages reveals that they are not correctly cited in the examiner's answer. e.g., pages 224-226 cited with pages 67-68 of Schneier B, Applied Cryptography, First ed., 1994, should be listed separately as - Schneier B, Applied Cryptography Second ed., 1995, pp 224-226 -; the scanned in reference listed in the examiner's answer as Cox, I. J. et al., "Secure Spread Spectrum

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Watermarkings for Multimedia, NEC Research Institute, Technical report 95-10, 33 pp." according to the scanned reference should be Cox, I. J. et al., "Secure Spread Spectrum Watermarkings for Multimedia, IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, Vol. 6, No. 12, December 1997, pp. 1673-1687. Correction/clarification is required.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is being returned to the Examiner for the Examiner to clarify and/or correct the discrepancy of the Prior Art of Record as noted above and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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